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FROM : Chief of Station, Frankfurt *c* *AD*

SUBJECT: GENERAL— Operational

SPECIFIC— Travel in DDR

1. On a recent trip to Berlin several persons informed me that in recent months the East Zone Volkspolizei, when checking residents of West Berlin, act courteously and usually make only a casual document examination. One instance was cited of a mixed group of West and East Berliners traveling by bus in the DDR in which only those persons with DPAs were subjected to anything more than a superficial check.

2. We are wondering if this apparent attempt of the DDR authorities to create a favorable impression on West Berlin residents could be or has been used to any operational advantage on our part. If so, what documents are necessary to enable West Sector residents to travel within the DDR?

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